



## **NEWS RELEASE**Registrar of Voters

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## Early voting opens for the 2020 Presidential Primary Election





Voting in the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election begins Monday at the County of San Bernardino Registrar of Voters office for any of the county's one million registered voters.



Voters do not have to wait for Election Day, or even wait to receive a ballot in the mail, to vote. Starting at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, voters can obtain and cast a ballot at the Registrar of Voters office, 777 E. Rialto Avenue in San Bernardino. Early voting hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 29, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Voters may also cast their ballots at the Registrar of Voters office on Election Day, Tuesday, March 3, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Five additional early voting sites will open in Apple Valley, Joshua Tree, Lake Arrowhead, Ontario, and Victorville beginning Tuesday, Feb 25.

Also on Monday, Feb. 3, mail ballots for voters on the permanent mail ballot list will be delivered to the U.S. Postal Service. Deliveries will continue as additional mail ballot requests are received up until Tuesday, Feb. 25.

To assist San Bernardino County voters, County Voter Information Guides began mailing on Thursday, Jan. 23, and will continue to be mailed to all voters registered as of Feb 18. The guides include a sample ballot, candidate statements, local measure information, and voting instructions.

Voters can also access the guide by visiting the Registrar of Voters website, <a href="mailto:SBCountyElections.com">SBCountyElections.com</a>, and clicking on the Elections menu tab.

The County's purchase of a new voting system has caused one small change to the voting instructions; voters will fill in an oval to the left of the name of the candidate of their choice. In prior elections with the old voting system, votes were cast by drawing a line between two ends of an arrow located to the right of the candidate's name.

For voters who prefer to cast a ballot in person on Election Day, the polling place check-in process will be more efficient. Poll workers will find voter names using the new Poll Pads, instead of searching through a paper roster.

Voters can find their assigned polling place on the back cover of their Voter Information Guide, by using the My Elections Gateway application on the Registrar of Voters website, or by calling (909) 387-8300.